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WASATCH 2050 – LOOKING BEYOND CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN SALT LAKE CITY

There may be five million people living in Salt Lake County by the year 2050, yet 50 years is far less than the average human life span. What will happen to the natural ecosystems of the area? Will they even exist? How will our lives change as a result of the complex interaction of population explosion, global climatic change, energy and water resource depletion, transportation overload, and a myriad of yet unknown influences?

The Utah Energy Office and local community organizations, including Envision Utah, and Future Moves Coalition are sponsoring the fourth annual "Wasatch 2050 – Looking Beyond" conference. The public is invited to attend the conference that will explore these, and other related questions by some of the most distinguished and knowledgeable experts in their fields. The conference will be held on November 7, 2001 at the Holiday Inn Downtown in Salt Lake City.

There is an early registration fee of \$75 or register at the conference for \$90; a continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information about the Wasatch 2050 Conference, contact Jack Hamilton at (801) 581-6348 or visit www.utah.edu/uees/wasatch.html.

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